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FM AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

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C O N F I D E N T I A L HELSINKI 651

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS : PFOR, FI VN CH

SUBJECT: FINNISH AMBASSADOR TO HANOI

1. IT WAS ANNOUNCED OVER THE WEEKEND THAT PRESIDENT KEKKONEN ON MARCH 9 APPOINTED VELI HELENIUS, FINNISH AMBASSADOR TO PEKING, TO BE SIMULTANEOUSLY AMBASSADOR TO HANOI. HELENIUS, 63, HAS BEEN IN PEKING SINCE 1967. PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT TO CHINA HE SERVED AS CHIEF OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND AS ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL (PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY) OF THE MINISTRY. EARLIER APPOINTMENTS INCLUDED AMBASSADOR TO INDIA (1961-64) AND CHIEF OF THE FINNISH COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATION IN WEST GERMANY (1958-61).

2. A BIO DATA FORM ON HELENIUS WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT ON JUNE 12, 1958. A BRIEF BIO REPORT IN THE EMBASSY'S FILES DATED SEPTEMBER 1965 DESCRIBED HELENIUS AS BEING PRO- AMERICAN.

3. THERE IS NO INDICATION AS YET AS TO WHEN NORTH
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VIETNAM WILL ACCREDIT AN AMBASSADOR TO FINLAND.
FINLAND RECOGNIZED NORTH VIETNAM ON DECEMBER 28, 1972.
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